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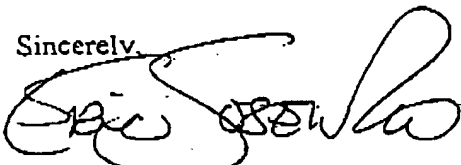
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Dear Stan:

In a recent telephone conversation with the primary Examiner handling the above-referenced patent application, it came to my attention that an Office Action was mailed September 5, 2001 to your offices. In reviewing our file, we could find no record of Harness, Dickey & Pierce having forwarded that Office Action to our attention.

Would you please review your records and advise me as to whether your offices received this Office Action, and if the Office Action was forwarded to our attention.

Sincerely,



Eric J. Sosenko

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